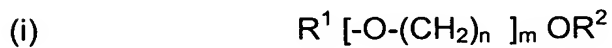


DIP-DYABLE POLYCARBONATE PROCESS

ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE

A process for tinting of articles molded from a polymeric resin is disclosed. Preferably, the article is molded from polycarbonate and the process entails immersing the molded article in a dye bath that contains water, dye, a carrier and an optional surfactant. The carrier is a compound conforming to



wherein  $R^1$  and  $R^2$  independently denote H or  $C_{1-18}$  alkyl, benzyl, benzoyl or phenyl radical which may be substituted in the aromatic ring by alkyl and or halogen, preferably  $R^1$ =butyl,  $R^2$ =H, n is 2 or 3 and m is 2 to 35. The method is especially useful in the manufacture of tinted lenses.

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